divorced women and women judicially separated and not remarried, there is a relaxation of 10 years in upper age limit.

In case of widows, divorced women and women judicially separated and not remarried, the above age relaxation applies to Group 'A' & 'B' posts also. In case of SC & ST women of above categories, a further age relaxation of 5 years is available for Group 'C' & 'D' ports only.

Construction of age homes

6198. SHRI RAJENDRA PRASAD MODY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of old Age Homes constructed in Delhi and other parts of the country;

(b) the number of old persons kept in such Homes and what facilities being provided to them.

(c) whether Government propose to construct more such Homes in Delhi and other parts of the country including Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) Under the scheme viz. Scheme of Assistance to voluntary organisations for programmes relating to Aged, the Central Govt. have sanctioned grant-in-aid to voluntary organisations for setting up/maintenance of 126 old age homes during 1993-94. There are two old age homes in Delhi set up by the Goernment of National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(b) Under the scheme of assistance to voluntary organisations for programmes relating to aged, old age home is a residential unit for atleast 25 poor/destitute aged persons of 60 years and above. Physical and psychological well-being of the inmates is taken care of by part-time medical officer and trained social workers/ counsellor. Besides they are given free accommodation. bedding clothing, food, medicine and recreational facilities.

(c) and (d) Under the scheme, grant-in-aid for maintenance of old age Homes is uniformly available to the voluntary organisation in all States/Union Territories including Delhi and Rajasthan, However, under this scheme, no grant for construction of old age homes is admissible.

Compaign by women against liquor consumption

6199. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact women in many states have organized themselves and stared compaign against liquor consumption;

(b) if so, the names of the States where such compaigns have been organized and with what results;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government have given any financial material help in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) and (b) As per the information available, women in the State of Andhra Pradesh have organised themselves and launched campaign against liquor consumption. The Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has banned the sale of arrack in the entire State w.e.f. 1-10-93.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) A proposal from Chief Minister. Andhra Pradesh for financial assistance for strengthening the enforcement machinery for implementation of prohibition and for undertaking publicity campaign against alcoholism in the State has been received. The proposal has been considered and a draft Centrally Sponsored